



## **REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

## (INCLUDING FILING FEE AND/OR PETITION FOR **EXTENSION OF TIME FEE)**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000 provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

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| First Named<br>Inventor  | Keisuke KUBOMURA et a  | al.   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Application No.  | 08/938,706   | 938,706 Group Art Unit 2176                       |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| Filing Date  | September 26, 1997   | Examiner  | C. Paula                     |  |  |  |  |  |
| CPA Filing Date  |  | Confirmation No                                   | 3138                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| Title of Invention   | INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM  |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
| This is a Request fo application.  | or Continued Examination (RC   | CE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.                           | .114 of the above-identified |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | action on the above-identified applic<br>hs. (Period of suspension shall not exce  |   |                              |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Claims As<br>Amended   | Claims Remaining<br>After Amendment | Highest Number Number Rate |             |             |                          |  |  |   |  |  |
| Total Claims   | 36                                  | 36                         | - 20 =      | 0           | X \$                     | 18.00  | =  | \$ 0.00   |  |  |
| Independent<br>Claims  | 9                                   | 9                          | - 3 =       | 0           | X \$                     | 86.00  | =  | \$ 0.00   |  |  |
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| The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application and of any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 to maintain pendency hereof and of any such related application to:  Deposit Account No. 19-3935. |                                     |                            |             |             |                          |  |  |   |  |  |
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For:

INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS AND PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM

## <u>AMENDMENT</u>

Commissioner for Patents PO Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A Request for Continued Examination is filed herewith, therefore reopening prosecution in the present application.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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